

20 March 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant, CR

SUBJECT : Comparison of Air Force and CIA Coding of Air Information Reports - Status Report as of 20 March.

1. Summary for the Period 16 - 20 March:

a. <u>Documents Reviewed</u>	<u>Documents With Coding Errors</u>	
187	<u>By AFCLIN</u>	<u>By CIA</u>
	10 (5%)	3 (1%)
b. <u>No. of Codes Assigned to 187 docs.</u>	<u>Coding Errors</u>	
561	<u>By AFCLIN</u>	<u>By CIA</u>
	10 (1.8%)	3 (.5%)

2. Analysis of Air Force Errors:

a. Incorrect codes	8
b. Significant information not coded	2

3. Comments:

- a. During 10 weeks' review of Air Force coding, there has been a steady improvement in quality of coding. Where errors have been pointed out, subsequent documents have shown that Air Force coders have made an effort to correct these faults. In documents concerning military and commercial air matters, Air Force coders make competent and thorough analyses. Highly technical documents result in the same margin of error for both CIA and Air Force coders.
- b. Air Force coding weaknesses lie mainly in the political and economic fields. With the decrease in these types of documents resulting from the revision of BAIR requirements, these weaknesses will not seriously affect the quality of Air Force coding in the future.

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